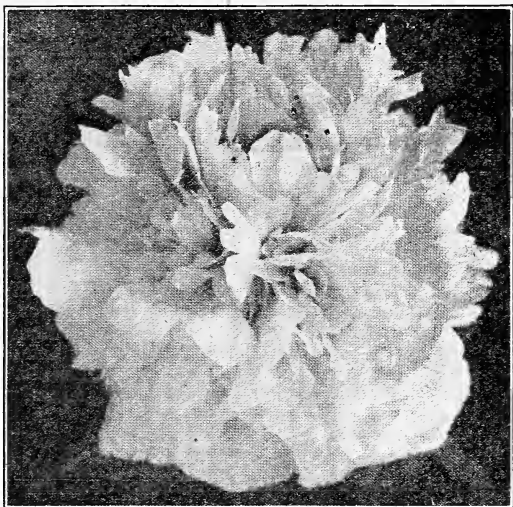


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1926s

Cloverset Peonies



REINE HORTENSE

Grown By

**CLOVERSET
FLOWER FARM**

ERNEST HAYSLER & SON



105th STREET AND WORNALL ROAD
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

FOREWORD

Peonies are the one exception to the rule that everything beautiful requires care and attention. Peonies ask no favors from any one and with just a little pains taken in the selection of location and with just common good garden soil for them to grow in they may be left to shift for themselves and will produce year after year with absolutely no attention whatever the most magnificent blooms of any flower in existence.

Plant them where they can get plenty of sunshine, in good garden soil (never put manure in the ground where it can touch the Peony root). Plant them with the eyes not over 2 inches below the level of the soil, give them one good soaking after planting and you are through with them as far as care and trouble are concerned. They will grow and furnish you for years to come armsful of beautiful blooms. Peonies are the only plants we have ever found that seem to be disease and insect proof.

SIZE OF PLANTS WE SEND

The plants we send out are all standard divisions, having 3 to 5 eyes or buds. They are all cut from young stock, are plump and full of life and vigor. We do not send out dried out roots and while we do not guarantee them to bloom the first year, nine out of every ten we plant in our fields bloom with one or two saleable blooms the following spring after planting. We can also furnish full plants two years old carrying 8 to 12 eyes for double the price of divisions shown in this catalog.

PRICES FOR LARGE PLANTINGS

Our Peony fields contain over 50,000 plants, including many varieties we grow for cut flower purposes only and some varieties in which our stock is too limited to offer this year. We will be pleased to figure on large lots and will make special prices where quantities of over 25 plants of one variety are wanted.

THE RATING OF OUR PEONIES

Nearly all Peonies grown by us are rated by the American Peony Society and immediately following the name in this list you will find a number or numbers; for instance, take Le Cygne (9.9), which means that out of a possible rating of 10 this Peony is so nearly perfect that the Society has given it a rating of 9.9 or 99 points of perfection out of 100. Our list will show that our stock consists of only varieties of high rating.

TERMS

Our terms are cash with order for all orders amounting to \$10.00 or less. On larger orders we will be pleased to open accounts where satisfactory references are given. There will always be some delay in shipment of open account orders due to delay in looking up references.

Our reference. Waldo State Bank, Kansas City.

PEONY COLLECTIONS

For those of our friends who do not care to spend the time making up a list, we offer the following collections which in our opinion give the greatest variety of blooms, colors, and times of bloom to be had for the price asked.

WE PAY THE FREIGHT

At these prices we pay the transportation charges on the plants you buy from us. All orders will be sent by mail where possible.

OUR BIG 5 COLLECTION

Price \$5.00 Delivered to You

Festiva Maxima, White with Crimson Flecks.	\$0.75
Reine Hortense, Hydrangea Pink	3.00
Duchess De Nemours, Light Pink75
Felix Crousse, Bright Crimson75
Karl Rosenfield, Dark Crimson	2.00

Price when bought singly\$7.25

This collection gives you 5 plants, two of which are new varieties and every one of which will be a delight to you.

OUR GET ACQUAINTED COLLECTION

Price \$10.00 Delivered to You

Avalanche, Milk White, late	\$ 1.50
Baroness Schroeder, Flesh White, midseason	2.00
Festiva Maxima, White Crimson Flecks, early75
Duchess De Nemours, Light Pink, very early75
Reine Hortense, Hydrangea Pink, mid- season	3.00
Souvenir De L Exposition, Violet Rose, late	.75
Officeianalis Rubra, Bright Crimson, very early75
Felix Crousse, Bright Crimson, mid season.	.75
Karl Rosenfield, Dark Crimson, mid season.	2.00
Rubra Superba, Dark Red, very late75

Cost of collection when bought singly..\$13.00

This collection gives you 10 plants, every one of which is a favorite with us, and will give you a wonderful variety of colors and a long period of bloom.

OUR DE LUXE COLLECTION

Price \$25.00 Delivered to You

6 of the finest Peonies in the list.

Lady Alexander Duff, Light Rose	\$10.00
Karl Rosenfield, Dark Crimson	2.00
Reine Hortense, Hydranga Pink	3.00
Baroness Schroeder, Flesh White	2.00
Mons. Martin Cahuzac, the Black Peony ..	6.00
Therease, Delicate Pink and Lavender	6.00

Price when bought singly\$29.00

This collection includes with the exception of 3 varieties, viz., Solange, Elizabeth Barrett Brown- ing and Le Cygne, the cream of all our planting and so sure are we of the bargain we are offering that we hereby agree to buy this collection back from you in September, 1926, at the price you paid for it.

CLOVERSET COMMERCIAL VARIETIES

In handling our peonies there are always some varieties that are left over after the selling season. These we mix up according to color only and these we sell only under color classification and while these colors comprise some of our best varieties they are sold only as unnamed sorts at an unusually low price. They are all good divisions and should bloom the first season. Price on these divisions in either white, pink or red, each, 50c; per dozen, \$4.50.

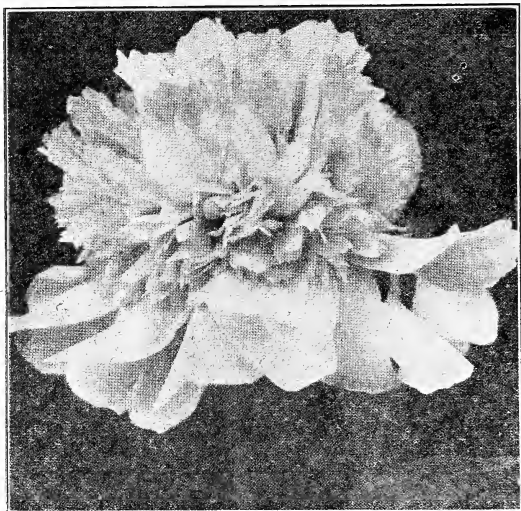
Avalanche (8.7) Crousse, 1886)—One of our favorite white peonies, very large and full, milky white flower of perfect form, reflecting yellow from base of petals, some of the center petals delicately edged with carmine. Fine strong grower and very fragrant, late mid-season bloomer. Each \$1.50.

Baroness Schroeder (9.0) (Kelway)—Very large and full, creamy white flower of unusual depth and fulness, has splendid habit of growth and free bloomer, is rapidly becoming very popular with all Peony lovers. Each \$2.00.

Boule De Nieve (8.) (Calot, 1862)—Very large, cup shaped, sulphur white flower with golden shadings. Center petals freely bordered with crimson. Fine, strong, upright growers, with long and strong stems. Fragrance very strong and sweet. Each \$1.00.

Claire DuBois (8.7) (Crousse, 1886)—Stems 30 inches high. Mammoth globular rose type. Clear, deep violet rose. Delicate fragrance. Erect, strong grower, free bloomer. For traveling long distances and lasting a great while when cut and still develop to its prime it has no equal. Each, \$1.00.

Couronne D'Or (8.1) (Calot, 1873)—Large and full flower of superb form, white reflecting yellow, center petals bordered with carmine, with golden stamens showing through, solid and perfect form edge to center. This is recognized by commercial growers as one of the best varieties for blooms. Grows fast and produces a fine crop of blooms every year without failure. Each, 75c.



DUCHESSE DE NEMOURS

Duchesse De Nemours (8.1) (Calot, 1856)—Guard petals white, center lemon yellow, cup-shaped; at first it develops into a large bloom, gradually fading to white; fragrant; strong grower and free bloomer. Extra good commercial variety. Follows 2 to 3 days later than Festiva Maxima. Each, 75c.

Edulis Superba (7.6) (Lemoine, 1834)—Dark pink, even color; large, loose, flat crown when fully open. Very fragrant; upright growth, early bloomer. One of the best commercial Peonies. Each, 50c.

Elizabeth Barrett Browning (9.2) (Brand, 1907)—Soft shell pink on opening and turning to white with occasional splashes of carmine. Late, strong grower. Stems are rather weak for such heavy blooms, very heavily and deliciously fragrant. One of the very best of the rare varieties. Unusually beautiful in the bud and tints and shadings as the buds develop, shows rare beauty. Each, \$20.00.

Ella C. Kelway (Kelway)—Most exquisite flesh pink of even tint. Large rose type blooms on heavy stiff stems. Mid-season. A Peony that always pleases. Each, \$3.00.

Eugene Verdier (8.6) (Calot, 1864)—Very large, cup shaped flower, flesh pink shaded yellow and salmon. Very large blooms, some we cut last year being 11 inches in diameter when petals were spread out flat. Good, strong, erect grower of moderate height. A fine and distinct peony that will more than satisfy you. Each \$2.00.

Felix Crousse (8.4) (Crousse)—This is the recognized leader among all the red Peonies on the market. One of the late varieties but always to be depended upon for a big crop of very large blooms. More of this variety are planted each year for commercial cut flowers than any other red because of its heavy blooming qualities. Blooms are American Beauty Red, dazzling and brilliant, with ruby flame center. Very large buds and blooms on long stiff stems. Each, 75c.

FESTIVA MAXIMA

Festiva Maxima (9.3) (Miellez)—Very large and full, pure white flower, with few center petals usually tipped with blood-red spots. A very vigorous grower, with massive foliage, flowers coming on long, stiff stems. Fragrant, early, and blooms most abundantly. Perhaps the very best all-round white we possess. It is certainly the best known and most popular. Were this a new variety it would be cheap at \$10.00. Each, 75c.

Karl Rosenfield (8.8) (Rosenfield)—A comparatively new red of American origin, and, in our opinion, one of the very greatest red Peonies in existence. The habit is strong and upright and the flower very large and full, and of a deep, brilliant blood-red, showing no trace of purple. This is a variety which every lover of red Peonies should surely possess. Each \$2.00.

Lady Alexander Duff (9.1) (Kelway, 1902)—Outside very light rose shading lighter towards center. This is the one Peony talked about constantly by those familiar with the fine points of the Peony family. In the first place it is of strong growth and ideal upright habit. The flower is very large, full and graceful. The buds are pinkish, very noticeably marked with carmine and open to a rosy white bloom. One of the best of the rare and scarce varieties. Each, \$10.00.

LaFayette (7.8) (Dessert, 1904)—Rose type; mid-season. Lovely shade of salmon-pink with touches of heliotrope and a delicate tinting of cerise in the reflex. Good stiff stems and a good bloomer. One of the most delicate and popular varieties we have. Each, \$2.50.

La Perle (8.5) (Crousse, 1885)—Rose type lilac white, with wonderful blush center, flecked, and splashed carmine. Very tall, strong and free blooming in clusters. Very large flower of a noticeably beautiful form. Each, \$2.00.

La Rosiere (8.) (Crousse, 1888)—Mid-season. An exceedingly beautiful cup shaped flower, white with yellow center. Very much resembling a large pond lily. A large flower on stiff, tall stems. A Peony that is always satisfactory. Each, \$1.00.

La Tendresse (8.1) (Crousse, 1896)—Rose type, creamy white, delicately splashed with crimson. Very large compact and lovely bud and bloom. Good strong grower and one of the very finest cream colored varieties. Each, \$1.00.

Le Cygne (9.9) (Lemoine, 1907)—The Perfect Peony. This variety is now conceded to be as nearly perfect as any flower can ever be. In habit of growth, size, color, shape, and in every qualification it is so nearly perfect that the American Peony Society has given it a rating of 99 out of a possible 100 points. The root sends up shoots of moderate height, but very strong, capped with a very large flower densely packed with small petals and so many of them that no center is visible even when bloom is entirely open. In my gardens last spring hundreds of visitors came especially to see this wonderful Peony and many of them came the second time, so impressed were they with its beauty. One of our good friends who bought a plant from us very appropriately said it reminded her of a large bowl of whipped cream. In color it is milky white, shading to pure white. It is easily the queen of all Peonies and on account of its exceptional qualities and its habit of propagating very slowly it will be a scarce and high priced variety for years to come. Our stock is very limited. Price each, \$20.00.

Livingstone (8.1) (Crousse, 1897)—Very large, full, evenly formed and lovely bloom. Color beautiful soft pink shaded lighter on edges. Good, heavy, erect grower and bloomer. Stems tall and strong, very prolific bloomer and one of our best sellers. Each, \$1.50.

Marie Crousse (8.9) (Crousse, 1892)—Very large, loose, bomb shape flowers with large petals. Delicate, fresh salmon pink rose color and very fragrant; very free bloomer on tall, stiff stems. We consider this Peony one of the highest order. Price each, \$2.00.

Marie Lemoine (8.5) (Calot, 1869)—Large, compact rose type, blooms with cream center, fading to pure white on outside. A good bloomer and while one of the old varieties (originated in 1869) is still one of the best of its color. Each, \$1.00.

Mme. Auguste Dessert (8.6) (Dessert, 1889)—Exceptionally beautiful with its large violet rose petals slightly flecked with crimson. Good bloomer and one that will always please. Each, \$2.00.

Mme. Boulange (Crousse, 1886)—Color glossy, soft pink tinged with silver reflex. Good grower and with us has always been very popular. Price, \$1.50.

Mlle. Leonie Calot (8.1) (Calot, 1861)—Very delicate shell pink, shading to darker pink center. Blooms are very compact, globular and fragrant, medium height. Each, \$1.00.

Mme. De Verneville (7.9) (Crousse, 1885)—Crown shape, pure white with center splashed with crimson. Each, 75c.

MIKADO

Mikado (8.6) (World's Fair, 1893)—Large cup shaped Japanese red peony. Single row of wide, dark crimson petals, encircling a filigree cushion of golden petaloids, crimson edge and golden tipped. Like a giant red poppy, but much more durable. As marvelous in its way and strikingly beautiful as any peony. Single peonies are becoming very popular and we are sorry that we have only one variety to offer at this time. We are nursing along several different varieties which we hope to have in sufficient quantity to offer in our 1926 catalogue. This one (the Mikado) is considered the best one of the single Japanese varieties. Price each, \$2.00.

Mons. Barrel (Calot, 1886)—Very pale lilac rose, a most beautiful color; blooms very freely; large, compact, flat rose type. Each, 75c.

Mons. Dupont (8.3) (Calot, 1872)—Very large, cup shaped, perfectly built flower; creamy white, center petals bordered with carmine. Exceedingly rich bloom, very fragrant, good tall grower and very free bloomer. This is one of the varieties that is worth a great deal more than it sells for. Each, 75c.

Mons. Jules Elie (9.2) (Crousse, 1888)—Immense globular, very full flower, glossy, fresh pink, deeper at base of petals with silvery reflex on whole bloom. Fine foliage and used very extensively as a cut flower variety on account of its early habit of always blooming in time for Decoration day. Considered one of the best, if not the very best pink. Each, \$1.00.

Mons. Martin Cahuzac (8.8) (Dessert, 1899)—“The Black Peony.” This is often termed the black peony. The color is a very dark velvety maroon with blackish lustre on well established plants. The profusion of blackish blooms make a wonderful sight. This is one of the rare peonies and as it is a slow propagator the price is very likely to stay just where it has been for the last 15 years. During the blooming period last spring when hundreds of visitors came to see our gardens in bloom this peony was easily the favorite among all the reds we had. Each, \$6.00.

Officinales Rubra—The old-time grandma's peony. Color, beautiful fiery crimson. Very erect, strong grower and produces very large, very early blooms. One of the oldest as well as one of the most dependable of all the red varieties. Each, 75c.

Philomele (7.7) (Calot, 1861)—Bright violet rose guards and short, narrow amber yellow petals in center makes it a most attractive bloom. Good strong, erect grower and profuse bloomer. Each, 75c.

Queen Victoria—This variety is planted more extensively than any other variety by commercial cut flower growers, because of its prolific blooming and wonderful keeping qualities. Blooms cut in May can (in refrigeration) be kept till Sept. 1st in perfect condition. Color, blush, becoming white; medium size, bomb type; very fragrant and very early. Blooms very freely and is one of the best. Each, 75c.

Reine Hortense (8.7) (Calot, 1857)—Our most popular Decoration day peony. When other peony blooms were selling at all prices from 60c to \$1.00 per dozen, every Reine Hortense bloom we had sold for \$2.00 per dozen. This is easily the favorite pink with all who visit us for flowers. It grows tall, stiff stems with fine, heavy foliage. Some of the stems are over 3 feet high with the firmest and largest buds and blooms of any of the pinks we have and we have kept these blooms in our house in perfect condition for 10 days. It is one of the very best keepers the writer has ever seen. Color is a wonderful rose pink, deliciously fragrant, very large, both in bud and bloom (some of the blooms we sold this spring were over 6 inches in diameter) and very early. It is a most dependable plant for Decoration Day flowers. Each, \$3.00. We have a few 3-year-old plants which we can furnish at \$6.00 each.

Rubra Superba (Richardson, 1871)—Very deep, rich, brilliant carmine; large rose type blooms, and when once established makes a wonderful amount of bloom. Very late and with us always the last to bloom. One of our old stand-bys. Each, 75c.

Simone Chevalier (Dessert, 1902)—This is one of the very large and very early varieties. Color is pale lilac rose tinged salmon with crimson flecked border. The growth is very strong and this plant is a sure and steady bloomer. Each, \$2.50.

Souvenir de L'Exposition Universelle (Calot, 1867)—This is, by many growers, considered the best pink, as it does not show any traces of purple whatever. Very large and full petaled flower of clear pink with silvery reflex. Good grower and prolific bloomer. Each, 75c.

Solange (9.7) (Lemoine, 1907)—Next to Le Cygne this is our most perfect and most beautiful peony. The blooms are very large, round as a ball and of the richest cream color, the outer petals of a delicate, waxy fawn color with a center that is nearly impossible for the writer to describe, being of a glowing pink very much the same color and glow as that produced when the hand is held in front of an electric light globe. The bloom comes very late and is of a most beautiful, rounded and perfect shape. The plant grows well, has long, stout stems, blooms freely and is so distinctive that it immediately draws the attention of any one. Each, \$10.00.

Therese (9.8) (Dessert, 1904)—When Mr. Dessert, who produced many of our finest peonies, produced Therese he erected a monument to his name in the heart of every peony lover for all time, for never were more delicate and beautiful colors, surrounding such a wonderful center, ever produced in any flower as are shown in Therese. Blooms very freely, even in very young plants and has never failed to produce a bountiful crop of blooms for Decoration Day. Its color is a wonderful blending of delicate pink, lavender and white. Bloom is immense in size on stiff, long stems. The flower is full to the center and is one of the most delicately beautiful peonies in existence. Each, \$6.00.

Sulphurea—A clear, light sulphur yellow shading to white. Very attractive on account of its being the only nearly yellow peony ever grown. Good strong grower, blooms on tall, stiff stems. A very satisfactory peony. Each, 75c.